

PUBLIC PARKS.

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

The work to be prosecuted with renewed vigor—Adoption of Plans and Orders for Further Improvement—The Metropolitan to be the Most Beautiful City in the World.

During the summer months the work of renovating and beautifying the public parks and places has progressed with remarkable activity, and now the various public breathing places are rapidly assuming a bright and cheerful appearance such as they have not possessed in many years.

A meeting of the Department of Public Parks was held on Tuesday afternoon at the new office, with the President, Commissioner Sweeney, in the chair. A very large amount of routine business was disposed of, after which the condition of the various parks and the progress of the work thereon was reported and commented on.

The reports were all satisfactory as far as they went. The various unimproved, and in some cases awkward and unsightly public places, which formerly existed in different parts of the city, have been utilized and improved, making the localities in which they are situated much more cheerful and tending to improve the value of property in the neighborhoods.

THE CENTRAL PARK. As everybody knows, has been constantly improving, and many alterations have been made in accordance with the directions of the Commissioners have added no slight degree to enhance the beauty of the Park.

A resolution was adopted directing that the Fifth Avenue entrance at Fifty-ninth street should be improved and completed forthwith and a fountain placed therein. This will make the entrance at this place more sparkling than ever, and give the visitor at first glance a good idea of the taste and beauty displayed and to be observed throughout the Park.

THE CHURCH AND THE AVENUE. Broadway entrance is also, in accordance with a resolution adopted on Tuesday, to be completed with a fountain and a statue, and the statue is to be placed in the center, and smaller ones to be placed around on each segment of the circle.

THE FOURTH AVENUE PARKS. It was also ordered, should be immediately completed, the surplus dirt removed and everything prepared so that the trees and shrubs may be planted in the openings of the tunnel. It was further ordered that the park should be improved by planting trees therein and by making a promenade walk around the interior twenty-five feet in width, and the sidewalks on the park to be finished in the same style as the walks in Central Park.

THE SIXTH AVENUE PARKS. At the intersection of the Sixth Avenue and the Central Park, the sidewalks around to be finished in the same style as the walks in Central Park.

THE BATTERY IMPROVEMENT. It was also resolved, should be pushed ahead with still greater activity. The sea wall will be to be finished with all possible despatch. Three staircases of granite are to be built with substantial floats attached for boat landings.

This work, it will be seen, was an immense undertaking, and a deep layer of fresh soil laid on to give a good hold for the grass seed. The old stumps and withered trees were to be removed, and new ones planted throughout. Serpentine walks and broad covered spaces are to be laid out; also a broad promenade around the sea wall, and a large one to cover the Battery, as it was a year ago by one of the most beautiful and beautiful breathing places on the Continent.

THE CITY HALL PARKS. As everybody who goes up or down town may have seen, the rapidly appearing of the new city hall which has been planted is already appearing in such shape as to give promise that next season it will rival that of the Central Park. Additional large trees are to be planted and the private boxes which have been erected are to be closed from the vision of passers by with large evergreens. The sewer connections are now being made, and will be completed in a few days. The new city hall will be a most beautiful place on the Continent.

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MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR IN BOSTON.

A Woman Dies with Symptoms of Hydrophobia and is Supposed to Have Been Poisoned by Her Husband.

[From the Boston News, Sept. 6.]

Some weeks ago the wife of a resident of a quiet street in the metropolis was taken ill with a fever, and after an illness of less than three days she died. During her last hours her symptoms were of a very peculiar character, and her physician was unable to name her disease. Her husband, who threw her into convulsions, and other symptoms of hydrophobia were manifested.

During all this time her husband was with her, and was apparently deeply affected by the sufferings of his wife. He displayed the deepest emotion, and appeared quite unmanned at the prospect of her death. Her last hours were spent in a state of delirium, and she was attended by a large number of friends and relatives of the deceased. It was announced by the physician that the cause of her death was disease of the heart.

A few days after the funeral the relatives of the deceased, suspecting that all was not right, caused the remains to be taken from the grave for examination by competent physicians. They suspected that the husband had poisoned his wife. At the post-mortem examination the lungs were found to be the seat of a very peculiar disease, and the stomach contained a quantity of a substance which was not the cause of her death, as her husband had announced.

These discoveries, confirming in some measure the suspicions of the friends of the deceased, they, by the advice of the physician, caused the remains to be removed from the cemetery and placed in the hands of the proper authorities for the analysis of their contents.

The result of the chemical analysis is awaited with much anxiety. In the meantime a gossip is busy, and unforgotten units on every scrap of intelligence, and the public mind is being kept in a state of suspense for a long time, and there is no doubt that this is another of those cases wherein a husband has become a murderer, and the wife has been abandoned the loved one of his earlier days, and the cause of his death is the result of his own crime.

There is another woman in the case. This has caused much talk among the neighbors. The husband was a man of a very high position, and his wife was a woman of a very high position. The husband was a man of a very high position, and his wife was a woman of a very high position.

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